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Knockbreda Nursery School

November 2015 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back! We hope that you and your child enjoyed the half-term break! We have a busy and enjoyable half-term ahead and we will continue to build on the good start made during September and October. Thank you for supporting our Boogie Fit Day last month, we raised almost £100 for the Meningitis Research Foundation.

**Themes and topics**

This month we will begin a new topic ‘It’s an emergency!’ (People who help us). Through this topic, we will find out more about our community and the important roles within our community.

We will also be learning about the season of Autumn, talking about Harvest time and continuing with our colour of the week. We will be enjoying taking on the roles of people who help us in our role-play areas, looking out for signs of Autumn in our school grounds and continuing with our colour of the week contribution table.

To enhance our topic, we will be enjoying a visit from the Fire Service, a talk from a Paediatrician, a display from the Owl Man and we will also be taking part in a music and movement session with Debutots.

During Anti-Bullying week (wb 16.11.15), we will be learning about respecting differences. We will be talking about friendship and how we can make new friends. In our ‘Together Time’, we will be sharing many stories about friendship and thinking about how people are all different.

In support of Children in Need on Friday 13th November, please wear your Pudsey ears and donate £1 to this worthy cause. Nursery will have lots of Pudsey themed activities for the children to enjoy on this day!

**Important information**

* As the Early Bird Club will be commencing on 9.11.15, our morning ‘Together Time’ will now be starting at the earlier time of **9.05am** each day. To take part in this important daily welcome session, we would ask that all children arrive in school in good time for this session.
* Please note that the school’s Talk 21 email account has now closed. All email

correspondence should be sent to [info@knockbredanursery.co.uk](mailto:info@knockbredanursery.co.uk)

* As you will know, considerable changes were made to the settling in process this September, with children commencing the full Nursery day much more quickly than in previous years. As part of the school’s commitment to school self-evaluation and best practice, we would like to seek your views on this change. This short school survey should only take 5-10 minutes to complete and is available online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/settlinginKNS> This online survey will close on 20.11.15, thank you in anticipation.
* As you are aware, Nursery plans to run a parent/ carer information session in the Spring Term (after Christmas). The topic of this session will be selected by our current parents/ carers. An option list is available online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/topicsession> This online survey will close on 20.11.15. Should you wish to attend any of these sessions, please complete the online submission form. Please note that sessions will only be planned for, if there is sufficient demand. Further details will follow once the submission deadline date passes.
* As we are now using all of our outdoor play areas, please ensure that your child can put on/ take off their own shoes and wellies. If you have not already done so, please send in a pack of baby wipes for use during this term. It would also be greatly appreciated, if each child could contribute a box of tissues each term. Thank you.
* Dinner money must be paid **on a Monday morning** by placing your payment into the white postbox in the reception area. The exact money (£12.00) should be paid using your child’s coloured payment envelope (as supplied by school). Please note that any absences will be refunded by the Clerical Officer to ensure that carry forwards are not required.

**Health and Safety**

To ensure the safety of our Nursery children, we would ask that you please close the front reception door fully when leaving the school building and please close the main playground gate tightly when you leave the school site. Thank you for your continued support.

**Diary Dates:**

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| Monday 9 November 2015 | 8.40am | Early Bird Club commences on 9.11.15  Working parents, who require early morning childcare, should arrive at the main door at 8.40am prompt. Please note that for the Early Bird session, doors will open from 8.40-8.45am only. For safety, the main door will then close and will remain closed until 8.55am when the other (non-Early Bird) children arrive for school.  The Early Bird children will be playing outside from 8.40-8.55am and should please keep their coats on when they arrive at school. On very wet days, they will use the Garden Room to play instead.  Should you wish your child to join the Early Bird session, please sign up at the reception area wb 2.11.15. |
| Friday 13 November 2015 | 9am | Children in Need  Wear your Pudsey ears and donate £1. |
| Saturday 5 December 2015 | 10-12noon | Open Morning for prospective pupils commencing Nursery in September 2016. |
| Wednesday 9 December 2015 | 1-1.30pm | Christmas Celebration event:  Red Apples: 9.12.15  Please note that as a result of school self-review in June, there will be two separate Christmas performances to ensure adequate seating for all parents/ carers. |
| Thursday 10 December 2015 | 1-1.30pm | Christmas Celebration event:  Green Apples: 10.12.15  Please note that as a result of school self-review in June, there will be two separate Christmas performances to ensure adequate seating for all parents/ carers. |
| Wednesday 16 December 2015 | 1pm | Open Afternoon for prospective pupils. To accommodate this, there will be early collection at 1pm prompt. Thank you. |
| Friday 18 December 2015 | Finish at 12 noon- no school dinners. | Christmas Jumper Day- wear a Christmas Jumper and donate £1 to Save the Children!  Christmas party and arrival of Santa! |

**It’s an emergency!**

**Songs and Rhymes**

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**Miss Polly had a dolly**

Miss Polly had a dolly   
Who was sick, sick, sick,   
So she called for the doctor  
To be quick, quick, quick;   
The doctor came   
With his bag and his hat,   
And he knocked at the door   
With a rat-a-tat-tat.   
  
He looked at the dolly   
And he shook his head,   
And he said "Miss Polly,   
Put her straight to bed."   
He wrote out a paper   
For a pill, pill, pill,   
"I'll be back in the morning   
With the bill, bill, bill."



###### Five Little Firemen

###### **Five little firemen** standing in a row,

###### 1 2 3 4 **5** they go.

###### Jump on the engine with a SHOUT,

###### As quick as a wink the fire is out.

###### Four **little firemen** standing ... etc

**C:\Program Files\Microsoft Office\MEDIA\CAGCAT10\j0298897.wmfC:\Program Files\Microsoft Office\MEDIA\CAGCAT10\j0298897.wmfAutumn Leaves**

(To the tune of London Bridge)

Autumn leaves are falling down, falling down, falling down,

Autumn leaves are falling down, Welcome Autumn.

They are yellow, red and brown, red and brown, red and brown,

They are yellow, red and brown, Welcome Autumn.

Sweep the leaves and put them here, put them here, put them here,

Sweep the leaves and put them here, Welcome Autumn.

Jump right in and have some fun, have some fun, have some fun,

Jump right in and have some fun, Welcome Autumn.

Take the leaves and crunch them up, crunch them up, crunch them up,

Take the leaves and crunch them up, Welcome Autumn.

**MCAN04317_0000[1]A mouse lived in a little hole**

A mouse lived in a little hole,

Lived softly in a little hole.

When all was quiet as quiet can be, (ssh).

When all was quiet as quiet can be, (ssh).

OUT POPPED HE !

###### an00814_an00814_2 Little Hedgehogs under a tree

2 little hedgehogs under a tree,

1 called Lizzie and 1 called Lee.

Curl up Lizzie, curl up Lee,

Peek a boo Lizzie, peek a boo Lee.

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**I’m a Dingle, Dangle Scarecrow**

When all the cows were sleeping,

And the sun had gone to bed,

Up jumped the scarecrow,

And this is what he said:

Chorus:

*I’m a dingle dangle scarecrow*

*With a flippy, floppy hat.*

*I can shake my hands like this,*

*And shake my feet like that.’*